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## Remarks:

The Attorney General is responding to Mr. Knoche's letter of 25 February when he was Acting Director.

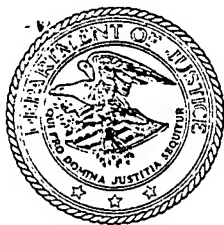
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Office of the Attorney General  
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May 9, 1977

Honorable E. H. Knoche  
Deputy Director of Central Intelligence  
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Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Knoche:

I appreciate the concern you expressed in your letter to me about the problem of unauthorized disclosure of classified information.

You urged me to consider legislation along the pattern of H. R. 12006. I am interested in this and similar proposals, but I will refrain from drawing a conclusion on this subject until the PRM-11 working group of the SCC has had a chance to complete its study. This group operates under the chairmanship of the Office of Legal Counsel of the Department of Justice and includes the General Counsel of the CIA. I look forward with great interest to reviewing their proposals on the troublesome problem which you raise.

After I have had a chance to review the proposals of the working group I will be eager to discuss the problem with you and Admiral Turner.

Yours sincerely,

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